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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1594

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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, JA

SUBJ: P3C

FOLLOWING MDAO/TOKYO MSG RPTD H/W FOR UR INFO:

QUOTE: R 130825Z AUG 76

FM CHMDAO TOKYO

TO RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC

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SECDEF FOR ISA/DSAA

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CNO FOR OP-63

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PRESS ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING JDA-DOD NEGOTIATIONS FOR P3C

A. CMDAO CMC 8059/220750Z JUN 76

B. CMDAO CMC 6524/130823Z

C. SECDEF 3693/301819Z JAN 76

1. REF B IS VERBATIM TRANSLATION OF YOMIURI NEWSPAPER STORY
CONCERNING ABOVE SUBJECT.

2. JDA EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THEY WILL HAVE TO RESPOND TO NEWS
MEDIA QUERIES AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, WILL BE SUBJECT TO DIET
QUESTIONING ON THE MATTER SOON. JDA HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS OFFICE
INFORM ALCON OF THE BASIC TENURE OF THEIR INTENDED STATEMENTS AS
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A. MR. TSUTSUI HAD A COURTESY CALL WITH MR. ABRAMOWITZ

WHILE VISITING OSD ON FX MATTERS.

B. PURCHASE OF P3C OR SEPARABILITY OF AVIONICS WAS NOT DISCUSSED.

C. USG OFFICIALS DID NOT REQUEST JAPAN TO BUY THE P3C NOR DID THEY SUGGEST A PACKAGE OF A MINIMAL BUY OF P3C'S WITH LATER SEPARATION OF AVIONICS FOR A JAPANESE AIRFRAME.

D. THERE HAVE BEEN NO NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN JDA AND DOD CONCERNING THE P3C.

3. FYI: WITH REFERENCE TO THE U.S. POLICY OF NON-SEPARATION OF P3C AVIONICS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF GOJ SUBMITTING A REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION TO SECDEF (REF C, PARA 1A, PERTAINS), THIS MATTER IS STILL UNDER STUDY. IN VIEW OF THE LOCKHEED SCANDAL AND ARRESTS, ETC., AND ELECTIONS THIS COMING FALL, THE DECISION TO MAKE OR NOT TO MAKE SUCH A HIGH-LEVEL REQUEST, OF NECESSITY, HAS BEEN POSTPONED FOR THE PRESENT.

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